



STATE OF OHIO
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT
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COLUMBUS, OHIO 43235-2789

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SERVICE MEMBERS IN THE OHIO NATIONAL GUARD

SUBJECT: The Right of Service Members to Present Complaints or Request Assistance from the Inspector General

1. All Service Members have the right to present complaints, grievances, or requests for assistance to the Inspector General. These complaints or grievances may include what Service Members reasonably believe to be evidence of fraud, waste, and abuse.
2. Before visiting the Inspector General, you should consider whether your chain of command can address your concerns in a more prompt manner. However, you are not required to present your concerns to your chain of command before contacting the Inspector General. Remember to obtain permission to be absent from your duties if you wish to visit the Inspector General during duty hours. You are not required to tell anyone why you want to speak with an Inspector General.
3. You may visit, call, or write your local Inspector General using the following contact information:

Name: Colonel Nathan B. Maertens
Building: Beightler Armory
Room: C222
Address: The Adjutant General's Department
ATTN: NGOH-IGZ
2825 West Dublin Granville Road
Columbus, Ohio 43235-2789
Telephone: Commercial: 614-336-7030
Toll Free: 1-888-766-3812
Email: ng.oh.oharnq.mbx.ohio-ng-inspector-general@army.mil

4. If you believe that your local Inspector General's response to your concerns is not fair, complete, or in accordance with law or regulation, or if you believe that contacting your local Inspector General may jeopardize your interests, you may contact:

The National Guard Bureau Inspector General (NGB-IG)
Commercial: 571-714-7444
ng.ncr.ngb-arng.mbx.ngb-ig@army.mil

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Department of the Air Force Inspector General (SAF-IG)

Commercial: 202-404-5354

Toll Free: 1-800-538-8429

saf.ighotline@us.af.mil

Department of the Army Inspector General (DA-IG)

Toll Free: 1-800-752-9747

USARMYDAIGassistance@army.mil

Department of Defense Inspector General (DoD-IG)

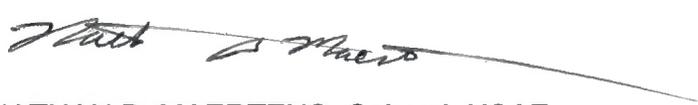
Commercial: 703-604-8799

Toll Free: 1-800-424-9098

5. Department of the Army and Air Force personnel are prohibited from taking any action that restricts you from filing a complaint, seeking assistance, or cooperating with the Inspector General or a Member of Congress. These same individuals are prohibited from taking any disciplinary or adverse action against you for filing a complaint, seeking assistance, or cooperating with the Inspector General, a Member of Congress, or any agency established to receive such complaints. However, if you lie or knowingly make false accusations to the Inspector General, you are subject to disciplinary action.

6. In accordance with Army Regulation 20-1 Paragraph 1-13, and Department of the Air Force Instruction 90-301 Paragraph 3-2, an Inspector General has the responsibility to protect and safeguard to the maximum extent possible the personal identity of individuals seeking assistance or participating in an Inspector General process. However, an Inspector General does not have the legal privilege of confidentiality and has no authority to grant promises of confidentiality. This is true for all people who ask the Inspector General for help, make a complaint, contact or assist an Inspector General during an inspection or investigation, or otherwise interact with an Inspector General.

Encl
Before You Tell it to Your IG


NATHAN B. MAERTENS, Colonel, USAF
State Inspector General

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